

## **P R O C L A M A T I O N**

**WHEREAS**, under Section 10 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor may convene both houses of the Legislature or the Senate alone in special session; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor believes that, in keeping with the United States Supreme Court's recent decision in United States v. Windsor, 133 S. Ct. 2675 (2013), the State of Hawaii should extend to same-sex couples the right to marry and receive all the same rights, benefits, protections, and responsibilities of marriage as opposite-sex couples receive under the laws of this State;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor of the State of Hawaii, pursuant to the power vested in me by Section 10 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, do hereby convene both houses of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii in special session on the 28th day of October, 2013, at 10 o'clock a.m., primarily for the consideration of legislation to provide for marriage equality in the State of Hawaii.

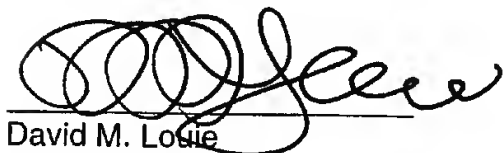
**DONE** at the State Capitol, Honolulu, State of Hawaii,  
this 9th day of September, 2013.



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NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor of Hawaii

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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David M. Louie  
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